THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) The present status of on going World Bank aided irrigation projects is an under:—

(Amount in Million US$)

SI. No.	Name of the Project	Amount of Assistance Present value	Date of signing/ closing	Disbursement upto April 1998.
1.	Punjab Irrigation & Drainage Project	161.679	09.02.1990 31.07.1998	139.509
2.	Haryana Water Resources Consolidation Project	262.148	06.04.1994 31.12.2000	91.567
3.	Tamil Nadu Water Resources Consolidation Project	252.303	29.04.1995 31.03.2002	16.586
4.	Orissa Water Resources Consolidation Project	270.578	05.01.1996 30.09.2002	74.993
5.	Andhra Pradesh III Irrigation Project	325.00	03.06.1997 31.01.2003	58.831

(b) and (c) There is no inordinate delay in implementation of the above-projects, however, the credit closing date for "Punjab Irrigation and Drainage Project" has been extended for four months beyond March, 1998 *i.e.* 31.07.98.

Irrigation Projects pending with Government

1812. DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Irrigation projects pending with Government for approval including their estimated projected cost and benefits likely to be accrued therefrom; State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) since when these projects are pending and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether some of the State Governments have requested Government for the early approval of these projects;

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard; and

(e) the time by which these projects arc likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) A statement giving Statewise details of Major & Medium Irrigation projects pending clearance at the Centre alongwith their estimated cost & benefits likely to be accrued alongwith their present status of clearance is enclosed in Annexure. *[See* Appendix 184, Annexure No. 56]

(c) to (e) The Clearance of irrigation projects is linked with compliance of observations made by the various Central appraising agencies by the State Governments.

Work on SYL Canal

1813. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether work on Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal has resumed;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the loss in terms of time and money caused by the delays?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) No, Sir.